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President's Letter

I have been dealing with a personal loss-my brother passed away-so I will be brief.

The one thing that I would like to communicate this month is to remind all of you of the benefits that we all gain by membership in DSFC. We still have some that have not renewed their membership. By renewing your membership you allow everyone in the organization to benefit by:

- Pooling resources and information for the collective good through the group's newsletter
- Researching and documenting our work to preserve it for future generations
- Providing value to our members and the Dunham community as a whole
- Accessing our professional genealogist, Gratia Dunham Mahony
- Coordinating the Dunham DNA testing program

My thanks to all in this organization who have helped me and have helped each other as we move forward in our work here.

Jeff Dunham, President

Editor's Corner

I have been studying the Dunham families for over thirty-five years. In that time I've come to know many lines and many migration routes.

When vital records exist for an area, finding the Dunham families is fairly easy. Those areas into which Dunhams moved, and where vital records or land records do not exist have presented a major challenge.

One of those areas is in central and western Massachusetts. This area was first called "Old Hadley" and it included a very large part of the state and quite a few towns.

My article Who was Rev. Darius Dunham? will address this area. It should be noted that folks who have run into a "brick wall", and especially those who are descendants of Deacon John Dunham, should consider this area. In particular, the sons of Micajah³ Dunham, Joshua⁴, Joseph⁴ and David⁴ who moved here in the mid 1730s, should be considered. A study of Revolutionary War military records may help identify some of these lines.

The second article, A Dunham Family of Anchorage, Alaska is a well documented and interesting story of the westward path of this Dunham family.

Gratia Dunham Mahony, Editor

Member's Corner

DSFC wishes to express our deepest sympathy to our President, Jeffrey M. Dunham on the death of his brother.

John Robert Dunham

January 10, 1958—March 30, 2014



John Robert Dunham passed away in Marysville, California, on Sunday, March 30 2014 at the age of 56.

John is survived by his loving parents Joan Dunham of Live Oak, California, and Lt. Col James Dunham (retired) of Issaquah, Washington; his brothers James Dunham of Glastonbury, Connecticut, and Jeffrey (Marilyn) Dunham of Portland, Oregon; and his niece Angela Dunham.

John was born at Dreux Air Force Base in France on January 10, 1958.

He grew up on Beale Air Force Base and he attended Bear River Junior High School and Wheatland High School where he played basketball, football and baseball. John enjoyed athletics and excelled at every sport he chose to participate in. He was well known for his tremendous physical abilities.

He developed a love of music and learned to play the guitar at an early age. This passion grew and he went on to write music and produce records in San Francisco, California.

A memorial service will be held at 11 am on Friday, April 4, 2014, at The Bride Church located at 655 Colusa Highway in Yuba City, California.

Obituary published in Appeal Democrat on April 3, 2014

Who was Rev. Darius Dunham?

by Gratia Dunham Mahony

To understand Darius Dunham, whose ancestry has been rather illusive, we need to look at the beginnings of Methodism in the US and Canada. We can place Rev. Darius Dunham in 1792 preaching at the Old Hay Bay Church in Adolphustown, (now Napanee), along the shores of the Bay of Quinte in Upper Canada.

In the newly created United States of America, many things that were old received a new spin. Societies of the people called Methodist, that had been formed in connection with John Wesley before or during the Revolutionary War, were molded into a new creation in 1784 and became the Methodist Episcopal Church. The church societies flourished in the post-war years, largely in the southern and central states along the eastern sea board. In 1788 at the annual conference of Methodist Episcopal societies, it was discovered that there was a surplus of young men aspiring to become preachers—twelve young potential preachers with nowhere to go! Bishop Francis Asbury directed these men to open new circuits up the Hudson Valley as far as Lake Champlain under the direction of presiding elder Freeborn Garrettson.

Darius Dunham (1762-1825) was one of these young men, age about 26 years old in 1788. He had been training to become a physician, but the allure of ministering to the people of the Methodist faith appealed to him. From: Abby L. Heningway, Vermont Historical Gazetteer, Vol. 3, p. 470 under the History of Methodism in Brandon, Vermont: "In 1788 Darius Dunham was appointed to the Shoreham circuit, and Samuel Wigton to Lake Champlain." On page 1194 under the Methodist Episcopal Church: "Rev. Darius Dunham came to Wells, Rutland County, Vermont to preach in 1789."

The following year a new recruit named William Losee joined this band of religious adventurers, and was sent to the northernmost circuit around Lake Champlain. Losee was a Loyalist who had served with Delancey's Westchester Refugees, and he knew some of those fellow Loyalists who had recently settled in Canada. Losee also knew of a Methodist leaning cluster of Loyalists living north of the St. Lawrence River in Canada. William Losee was ordained in September 1789 and sent to this mission known then as the Kingston Circuit, later the Cataraqui Circuit. Within a year plans were made to build Canada's first Methodist meeting house.

The church subscription list of February 3, 1792 contained the names of twenty-two subscribers. They came from diverse religious and cultural backgrounds which included Norwegian and German Lutherans, Swiss Moravians, French Huguenots and Dutch Reformed, as well as members of the Church of England and the Society of Friends. Four of the surnames on this document also appeared on the subscription list of the John Street Chapel in New York City which was the first Methodist chapel erected in mainland North America. These subscribers were:

(1) Rev. Abraham Biniger (1720-1811) a Swiss-born Moravian minister who had served as a missionary to the black slaves in the Carribean. In New York City he befriended Philip Embury, America's first Methodist preacher, finding him a kindred spirit and a fellow pietist. It was Rev. Abraham Biniger's son John Biniger who settled in Adolphustown and subscribed towards the erection of Hay Bay Church.

(2) Edward Carscallen (c. 1725-1803), from Ireland, contributed £1 to the New York chapel, and later settled as a Loyalist in neighboring Fredricksburg township. He would have attended the Hay Bay Church at least for the quarterly meetings. Edward Carscallen came from Ireland to New York where he married in 1753 Elizabeth Hill.

(3) Valentine Detlor (1726-1798), from Ireland, also settled in Fredricksburg. In 1756 he had married Catherine Hill, sister of Elizabeth who married Edward Carscallen. He was a subscriber to Embury's New York chapel in 1768, and he witnessed the rise of the Hay Bay church also. His daughter, Elizabeth Detlor, married **Rev. Darius Dunham**.

(4) Andrew Embury (1757-1844) also appears on the subscription list of the Hay Bay Church. His father, David Embury, was a brother of Philip Embury, the preacher who founded the first Methodist society in America in New York City in 1766.

Darius Dunham goes to Napanee on the Bay of Quinte

From the History of the Settlement of Upper Canada, With Special Reference to the Bay of Quinte; under the First Wesleyan Methodists in Canada, p. 290:

"Mr Losee had 165 members enrolled in the "Cataraqui Circuit". He set out on his long journey to attend conference at Albany. Mr. Losee returned the following year, accompanied by Rev. Darius Dunham. The latter took charge of the Bay of Quinte district—the "Cataraqui Circuit", while Losee went to the St. Lawrence to organize a new society (called the "Oswegotchie" circuit."

From: The First Century of Methodism in Canada, Vol. I, Chapter II, 1780-1805, Beginnings in Lower and Upper Canada, p. 30: "On Saturday, September 15th, 1792, Dunham held the first Quarterly Meeting in Mr. Parrot's barn, Ernestown. . . . Dunham entered the work as a probationer in 1788, and having heard Losee's account of Canada and the call for an ordained man volunteered and for seven years labored in the new field. He was a man of strength, in mind and body. No such voice as his had before resounded through Canadian forests. . . . On his (speaking of Lossee) former circuit a young lady of estimable qualities had awakened Losee's admiration. On Losee's removal his full-fledged successor (Darius Dunham) proved a more successful suitor, and before Losee was aware, had won the idol of his heart."

From: Pioneer Life on the Bay of Quinte, 1999 reprint of original book published in 1904, p. 191-195: Under The Clapp Family, "Joseph Clapp m. Mercy Carpenter and died in Dutchess

Co. NY about 1776. At least 5 of his children came to Canada: Joseph, Benjamin, and James, Clapp, Rhoda Clapp who m. Mr. Losee and settled near Bath, and Ursula Clapp who m. Sampson Striker and died in Hallowell. Sampson Striker and Joseph Clapp, then 18 years old came together to Ontario via Lake Champlain, Montreal and up the St. Lawrence with a sleigh and pair of horses in January. They finally settled in Adolphustown having been 28 days on the journey from their home in Dutchess County, New York. Joseph Clapp m. Nancy Millar, a niece of John Roblin who came from Dutchess County. They were Quakers, but John Roblin was converted to the Methodist Church by William Losee and Darius Dunham.”



Old Hay Bay Methodist Church, Bay of Quinte, Ontario, Canada

In trying to trace the descendants of David ⁴ Dunham (Michjah ³ and Elizabeth (Lazelle) Dunham); Joseph ² and Hester (Wormall) Dunham: John ¹ I find some Dunhams in central Massachusetts in addition to the Darius Dunham above who was the Methodist Minister. I can not find any trace of the Joshua ⁴ or Joseph ⁴ after the births of their first children in Plymouth. It is quite possible that Joshua ⁴, Joseph ⁴, David ⁴ and Micajah ⁴ moved to central/western Massachusetts into the area known as “Old Hadley” in Hampshire County and into Brimfield in Hampden County and the adjoining town of Brookfield in Worcester County.

With reference to “Old Hadley” MA.; from History of Western Massachusetts: by Josiah Gilbert Holland, originally pub. 1855, Heritage reprint, Vol. 2, p. 217: “Hadley once contained the present towns of Hadley, Amherst, South Hadley, Hatfield, Granby and part of Whately.” p. 222, The materials for the history of the first church are extremely meager. No church record is in existence of an earlier date than 1766, and the first two ministers probably kept no records.”

Vital Records of Brimfield, Hampden County, slightly south east of the “Old Hadley”, do exist. From these vital records we do know that there were Dunhams in the area of Brimfield after 1731 and in fact there is a Dunham-Brimfield Road in the area today. The earliest Dunham birth listed in the vital records of Brimfield is for twin sons (Joseph and Thomas) born to Micajah and Mary on 22 January 1738/9. This Micajah is Micajah ⁴ who married Mary Davis in Brookfield Worcester Co. MA 15 November 1735. (Brookfield is just north of Brimfield.)

Joshua ⁴ Dunham (Micajah ³ Joseph ² John ¹) was born in Plymouth 30 June 1701. ^[1] He married in Plymouth 25 June 1734 **Ann Revis**,^[2,3]

Child of Joshua and Ann (Revis) Dunham:

- i. James ⁵ Dunham b. after 1734

References:

1. *Plymouth VR p. 33.* 2. Intent 13 April 1734, Plymouth VR p. 161 gives “Joshua Donham now residing in Plymouth”; 3. Marriage Plymouth VR p. 98.

Joseph ⁴ Dunham (Micajah ³ Joseph ² John ¹) was born in Plymouth 12 March 1704/5. ^[1] Joseph married (intent given in Plymouth) 13 March 1730/31 **Jean Randel** of Scituate. ^[2] Joseph may have been living at Scituate prior to his marriage as on 16 March 1730/31 he was “warned out” of Plymouth, “We the subscribers, selectmen of the town of Plymouth, declare that the above named Joseph Donham is not an inhabitant in said town according to law...” signed Isaac Lothrop, Benja. Warren, John Foster. Joseph must have resided in Scituate when a daughter Elizabeth was born to Joseph and Jane in 1732. It was common for selectmen to “warn out” people not born in a town so that if they became indigent they would not be a charge on the town.

Child of Joseph and Jean/Jane (Randel/Randall) Dunham:

- i. Elizabeth ⁵ Dunham b. 21 February 1732, Scituate VR p. 140

References:

1. *Plymouth VR p. 33.* 2. *Plymouth VR p. 170.*

Micajah ⁴ Dunham (Micajah ³ Joseph ² John ¹) probably born in Plympton say 6 January 1712, but not on the Plympton Vital Records, died in Brimfield Hampshire Co. MA in November 1756. ^[1] Micajah married in Brookfield Worcester Co. MA 15 November 1735 **Mary Davis**, ^[2] daughter of Samuel and Thankful (Clesson) Davis. Mary was born in Brookfield 2 March 1710 ^[3], died in Brimfield Hampshire Co. MA 18 December 1798. ^[4]

Micajah ⁴ Dunham is the most well documented of the four oldest sons of Micajah ³ and Elizabeth (Lazelle) Dunham. Children of Micajah ⁴ and Mary appear on the Brimfield Vital Records and there are several land records showing parcels of land purchased by Micajah ⁴ Dunham in Brimfield.

Children of Micajah ⁴ and Mary (Davis) Dunham: ^[5]

- i. Joseph ⁵ Dunham b. 22 January 1738/9 (twin)
- ii. Thomas ⁵ Dunham b. 22 January 1738/9 (twin)
- iii. David ⁵ Dunham b. 1 February 1740/41
- iv. Thankful ⁵ Dunham b. 3 August 1743
- v. Mary ⁵ Dunham b. prob. after 1743
- vi. Lydia ⁵ Dunham b. (given in vital records but with no date)
- vii. Lois ⁵ Dunham bp. October 1757 (VRs say dau. widow Dunham)

References:

1. *Brimfield VR* p. 282. 2. *Brookfield VR* p. 307. 3. *Brookfield VR*. 4. *Brimfield VR* p. 282.
5. *Brimfield VR* p. 50-51

David ⁴ Dunham (Micajah ³ Joseph ² John ¹) probably born in Plympton say 1714, but not on the Plympton Vital Records. There is no vital record showing the marriage of David ⁴ Dunham but I believe he married a woman named Esther, and she may have been Esther Richardson.

Vital Records of Brookfield, MA do not show children of this David ⁴ and Esther (possibly Richardson) Dunham but there are some clues which point to a Dunham family living in Brookfield.

There is a Richardson Dunham, born about 1761 who I believe is the son of David ⁴ and Esther (possibly Richardson) Dunham. This man moved to Salem, Washington County, New York. [See my article The Dunhams of Washington County, New York in DSFC newsletter Vol. 2 Issue 4, p. 3. This Richardson Dunham married Susanna Dodge in Brookfield April 8, 1784. Richardson Dunham had Revolutionary War service from Brookfield, MA.

There is another marriage in Brookfield and that one is for Rhoda Dunham who married Asa Bacon 3 July 1760. Asa Bacon was born 8 April 1738 in Wrentham MA, died 1807 in Washington, Orange Co. VT. Rhoda (Dunham) Bacon died 10 June 1833 in Washington, Orange Co. VT. If Rhoda Dunham was age about 20 years when she was married that would place her birth year at about 1740-1742.

I can find no birth record for Darius Dunham but the name is unusual enough that it provides a clue as to his family. The brother of David ⁴ Dunham who was Micajah ⁴ Dunham (described above) had a son David ⁵ Dunham born in Brimfield 1 Feb. 1740/41. This David ⁵ married Tabitha Cooley and their children are given on the Brimfield Vital Records.

Children of David ⁵ and Tabitha (Cooley) Dunham first four on Brimfield VR 50-51

- i. Eleanor ⁶ Dunham b. 11 June 1770
- ii. Johnson ⁶ Dunham b. 20 Oct. 1771
- iii. Nathaniel ⁶ Dunham b. 28 Nov. 1773
- iv. David ⁶ Dunham b. 3 Dec. 1775
- v. Lucy ⁶ Dunham prob. b. 1763 Brimfield Ma.
- vi. Aaron ⁶ Dunham not on Brimfield VR (a desc. gives about 1784-5)
(this may be the Aaron L Dunham, single male who d. Springfield
13 Feb. 1846, age 60 yrs.; cause Erysipelas
- vii. Naomi ⁶ Dunham not on Brimfield VR
- viii. Tabitha ⁶ Dunham birth not on Brimfield VR
- ix. Darius ⁶ Dunham b. 4 June, 1790 Brimfield, Ma. but not on Brimfield VR
Family search.org gives m. 18 Sept. 1814 Polly Curtis
- x. Silas ⁶ Dunham b. perhaps after 1794 when the family left Brimfield

According to the "Hance and Allied Families" History, "after the Dunham family moved to (Paris, Oneida County) New York State (in 1794), Johnson Dunham took his younger brother Silas and removed to New Jersey. In 1803, Johnson was given 'an appointment' at Flanders Church (near Budd Lake in New Jersey). He later moved to Asbury, New Jersey where he was a Methodist Pastor. He and his brother Silas opened a store in Asbury, New Jersey which also had the Post Office."

We can see that Darius Dunham (b. in 1762) was not a son of either Micajah ⁴ or David ⁵ and Tabitha (Cooley) Dunham, but the fact that David ⁵ had a son Darius b. in 1790, and the fact that David ⁵ had a son (Johnson ⁶) who was a Methodist pastor, are strong clues which indicate that Darius (b. in 1762) was closely related to this family. Thus, I place Darius ⁵ Dunham, the man who was a Methodist pastor at the Hay Bay church in the Bay of Quinte, as a son of David ⁴ and Esther (possibly Richardson) Dunham. His line back to Deacon John Dunham would be Darius ⁵ Dunham b. 1762, David ⁴ and Esther (possibly Richardson) Dunham, Micajah ³ Joseph ² John ¹ Dunham.

Darius ⁵ Dunham was born about March 1762; died 13 September 1825 in Fredericksburg, and is buried at Switzer's Chapel at Switzerville, Ontario, Canada. He married about 1792 Elizabeth Detlor. She died near Napanee at the home of her son Enoch Fletcher Dunham on March 1, 1848. She is buried in the Riverside Cemetery at Napanee.

Children of Darius ⁵ and Elizabeth (Detlor) Dunham were:

- i. Anna ⁶ Dunham (1799-1853)
 - m. Jacob Peterson
- ii. Elizabeth ⁶ Dunham (-1848)
- iii. John ⁶ Dunham (-1827)
- iv. Mary ⁶ Dunham (1802-)
 - m. George Chamberlain
- v. Catherine ⁶ Dunham (1805-)
 - m. Charles Chamberlain
- v. Enoch Fletcher ⁶ Dunham (1810-1890)



Interior of the Hay Bay Methodist Church shown after restoration. It was restored to the style of the original church and would have appeared this way when Rev. Darius Dunham was preaching there.

A Dunham Family of Anchorage, Alaska

by Gratia Dunham Mahony and Werner Jon Dunham

The last issue of DSFC contained an article about a Dunham family who remained close to home (Plymouth, MA) up to and including today. In this issue we will look at a migration path which took a Dunham family from Massachusetts to Ohio; New York, Missouri, Colorado, Wyoming, Idaho and on to Alaska.

The Dunham ancestry of Gershom ³ (Jonathan ², Deacon John ¹ Dunham) on the DSFC web site names only the eight children of Gershom ³ Dunham but does not carry this line any further. One of these eight children provides an excellent example of westward migration. Werner Jon Dunham, a twelfth generation descendant of Deacon John, participated in DNA analysis last year and has supplied many details of his ancestors as they migrated west. The line followed in this article begins with Deacon John ¹; Jonathan ²; Gershom ³; David ⁴; John ⁵; Abishai ⁶; Benjamin ⁷; Henry Clevlin ⁸; Otho Henry ⁹; William Denver ¹⁰; William Leland ¹¹; Werner Jon ¹²; and his son Connor Thompson ¹³ Dunham.

As we have seen the first three generations are:

Deacon John ¹ Dunham and his second wife Abigail Ballou

Jonathan ² Dunham and his second wife Mary Cobb

Gershom ³ Dunham born in Plymouth ca. 1664-5; died in Edgartown between 3 March 1738/0 and 2 November 1739 the dates on which his will was written and probated. Gershom married ca. 1692 in Nantucket **Mary Clark**.

The children of Gershom ³ and Mary (Clark) Dunham (named in the will of Gershom ³) were:

- i. Mary ⁴ Dunham b. ca 1694
- ii. Deborah ⁴ Dunham b. ca. 1696
- + iii. **David ⁴ Dunham** b. ca. 1698
- iv. Gershom ⁴ Dunham b. ca. 1700
- v. Jethro ⁴ Dunham b. ca. 1703
- vi. Seth ⁴ Dunham b. ca 1706
- vii. Paul ⁴ Dunham b. ca. 1790
- viii. Zerviah ⁴ Dunham b. ca 1712

GENERATION FOUR

We will follow the line of David ⁴ Dunham born say 1699; died in Edgartown 27 February 1746/7. David was a farmer. He married first in Chilmark 11 April 1723 **Sarah Clifford**,

daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Mayhew) Clifford. Jacob Clifford was born 7 April 1679 in Hampton, Rockingham Co. NH, and he died 9 May 1715 in Chilmark, Dukes Co. MA. Elizabeth Mayhew was daughter of John and Elizabeth (Hilliard) Mayhew of Chilmark, Dukes Co. MA. Sarah Clifford was born in Hampton, Rockingham Co. NH 4 March 1704/5; died in 1737. David married second 30 October 1738 **Mary (Ripley) (Mackelroy)**, daughter of Joseph and Sarah (Jenkins) Ripley, and widow of William Mackelroy.

Children of David ⁴ and Sarah (Clifford) Dunham given in Banks, *History of Martha's Vineyard*, Vol. 3:156:

- i. Mary ⁵ Dunham b. say 1723
- ii. David ⁵ Dunham b. say 1724
- + iii. **John ⁵ Dunham** b. say 1729
- iv. Abishai ⁵ Dunham b. say 1731
- v. Sarah ⁵ Dunham b. November 1733
- iv. Gershom, Dunham b. 1736

GENERATION FIVE

John ⁵ Dunham (David ⁴ Gershom ³ Jonathan ² John ¹) born say 1729; died 17 July 1784. He married **Jane Butler**, daughter of David Butler and Anna Hatch. She was b. 10 May 1728; died in Tisbury, MA 16 Dec. 1791, in her 65th year. John Dunham served in French and Indian War in 1748. David Butler, his father-in-law was Captain of an Indian Company during the French and Indian War in 1762.

The will of John ⁵ Dunham, dated 1784 (Dukes County Will, Vol. &:80-81) states "I give to my 3 younger sons, namely Abishai Dunham, Lawson Dunham, Clifford Dunham, all my real estate 'that they maintain their mother honorable during her natural life' ...I give to my loving daughter Jane Merry, wife of Peter Merry...best bed..."

Children of John ⁵ and Jane (Butler) Dunham: (from Charles E. Banks, Vol. 3:159)

- i. John ⁶ Dunham b. 1750; d. 1778 at sea
Served in Sea Coast Defense in 1776
- ii. David ⁶ Dunham b. April 1751; d. 13 Feb. 1819 in Vineyard Haven
m. Deborah Luce
Served in Seacoast defense
- + iii. **Abishai ⁶ Dunham** b. 1753-1756
- iv. Jane ⁶ Dunham b.
m. Peter Merry
- v. Lawson ⁶ Dunham b. abt. 1762; drowned at sea 20 July 1788
- vi. Clifford ⁶ Dunham b. 1767
m. Abigail Tilton

GENERATION SIX

Abishai⁶ Dunham (John⁵ David⁴ Gershom³ Jonathan² John¹) b. abt. 1756; died after 15 Oct. 1832 when he applied for a Revolutionary War Pension. He married 20 February 1776 Thankful Covell.

From Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors, 5:38; "Abishai Dunham, Private, Capt. Nathan Smith's (Seacoast) Co., stationed at Martha's Vineyard; service between June 1, 1776, and Sept. 1 1776, 1 mo.; also same Co.; service from Sept. 1, 1776 to Nov. 21 1776, 2 mos. 20 days."

From Abstracts of Revolutionary War Pension Files: "Abishai, S15107, Ma Line & Privateer Srv, appl 15 Oct. 1832 Otsego Cty. NY, aged 79 a res. of Decatur NY, sol enl at Martha's Vineyard Island in Dukes Cty. Ma. & lived at Tisbury Ma during the war & until 1805 then moved to Florida in Montgomery Cty. NY for 1 yr, then moved to Otsego Cty NY."

The Pension application file documents definitely the year Abishai moved to New York State. The fact that he spent only one year in Florida, Montgomery County, NY indicates that he probably remained there long enough for one planting and harvesting cycle, raising the funds for his planned move to Decatur, Otsego County, New York.

Abishai Dunham appears on the 1790 and 1800 Census in Tisbury, Dukes County, MA. He is probably the A. Dunham on the 1810 census in of Decatur, Otsego County, NY. He appears on the 1820 census in Decatur, Otsego County, NY as Abishai Dunham. He is probably the male age 70-80 living with Benjamin⁷ Dunham on the 1830 census of Decatur.

Children of Abishai⁶ and Thankful (Covell) Dunham: (Ref. Banks 3:164)

- i. Mary⁷ Dunham b. 1777
- ii. Sarah⁷ Dunham b. abt. 1779
- iii. John⁷ Dunham b. 20 Feb. 1781
- iv. Abishai⁷ Dunham b. 11 June 1783
- v. Elizabeth⁷ Dunham bp. 14 Aug. 1785
- vi. Watson⁷ Dunham b. 7 Nov. 1787
- vii. William⁷ Dunham bp. 8 Aug. 1790
- viii. Love⁷ Dunham bp. 10 Nov. 1793
- ix. **Benjamin⁷ Duham** bp. 17 July 1796, probable birth date 30 May 1796
- x. Grace⁷ Dunham b. 18 July 1802

GENERATION SEVEN

Benjamin ⁷ Dunham (Abishai ⁶ John ⁵ David ⁴ Gershom ³ Jonathan ² John ¹) was baptized 17 July 1796; died after 1830 when he appeared on the census in Decatur, Otsego County, New York. Benjamin probably married a woman named Priscilla because there is a headstone in the Decatur Cemetery which shows "Priscilla, wife of Benjamin Dunham d. 14 Dec. 1831."

There is another grave in the Decatur Cemetery for Mary Ann (Woodin) Dunham, daughter of Riley and Valerie Woodin, and wife of John B. D. Dunham. This Mary Ann (Woodin) Dunham was b. 13 December 1837; d. 15 June 1858.

From the 1830 census of Decatur, Otsego County, New York, Benjamin Dunham:

This family would be:

2 m. under 5; **Henry Clevlin Dunham b. 8 Nov. 1824, so age 5 to 6**

and probably another son (possibly John B. D. Dunham)

1 m. 30-40; Benjamin Dunham age about 34

1 m. 70-80; prob. Abishai Dunham age about 74

1 f. under 5;

1 f. 5-10;

1 f. 20-30; Wife of Benjamin Dunham

1 f. 70-80; Wife of Abishai Dunham

GENERATION EIGHT

While absolute proof has not yet been found, circumstantial evidence indicates that Henry Clevlin Dunham is the son of Benjamin ⁷ Dunham, who is son of Abishai ⁶ Dunham of Decatur, Otsego County, New York. Werner Jon Dunham, of Anchorage, Alaska participated in DNA analysis and the results matched the line of Deacon John Dunham of Plymouth. Oral tradition in the family of Werner Jon Dunham traces him back to Henry Clevlin Dunham.

Henry Clevlin ⁸ Dunham (Benjamin ⁷ Abishai ⁶ John ⁵ David ⁴ Gershom ³ Jonathan ² John ¹) born in Decatur, Otsego County, New York 8 November 1824; died in Walden, Jackson County, Colorado in 1889. He married in St. Louis, Missouri **Mary Magdalane Neef**. She was born in Baden, Germany in 1832; died in Grand County, Colorado in 1895 (or 1902)?

From the 1880 census of Gomer, Caldwell County, Missouri:

Henry Dunham	56	head	Physician	b. NY	parents b. MA & CT
Ortho Dunham	25	son	Farmer	b. MO OH	Baden (Germany)
Francis	28	dau.	at home	b. ? MA	Baden
Martha	14	dau.	at home	b. IL NY	Baden

From the 1885 state census of Grand County, Missouri:

Henry Dunham	64	Ret.Physician	b. NY	parents b. NY & CT
Mary Dunham	60		b. Germany	Ger. Ger.
Ortho Dunham	30	Ranchman	b. MO	NY Ger.
Alida Dunham	26	keeping house	b. Sweden	
Viola Dunham	1		b. OH MO	Sweden (Violet M.Dunham)

Children of Henry Clevlin and Mary Magdaland (Neef) Dunham:

- i. Francis Schmidt ⁹ Dunham
- ii. Lilly ⁹ Dunham
- iii. Ralph ⁹ Dunham
- + **iv. Ortho Henry ⁹ Dunham b. 8 Nov. 1854; d. 1946**
- v. Martha ⁹ Dunham b. abt.1866

Ortho Henry ⁹ Dunham (Benjamin ⁸ Henry Clevlin ⁷ Abishai ⁶ John ⁵ David ⁴ Gershom ³ Jonathan ² John ¹) born 12 September 1854 in Jefferson City, Scotland Co. Missouri; died in Lake County, Oregon 10 April 1946. He is buried in Plainview Cemetery, Big Piney, Sublette County, Wyoming, so if he died in Oregon, he must have been returned to Wyoming for burial. He married first, probably in Missouri, Alida Larson who died about 1885-6. He married second in North Park, Colorado in July 1888 **Flora Idora Smith**. She was born about 1835; died in 1930. She was daughter of Albert and Maria (Rush) Smith.

Ortho Henry Dunham appears on the 1900 census in Denver, Arapahoe County, CO

Ortho Henry Dunham appears on the 1910 census in Olson, Fremont County, Wyoming:

Ortho H. Dunham	55 m. ² 21 yrs.	Farmer, General farming	b. MO NY Ger.
Flora I. Dunham	44 m ¹ 21 yrs.		b. IN IN IN
Rose E.	19 dau.		b. CO MO IN
Alma M.	18 dau.		b. CO MO IN
Albert A.	16 son		b. CO MO IN
Orval D.	14 son		b. CO MO IN
Marshal G.	11 son		b. CO MO IN
William D.	9 son		b. CO MO IN
Henry C. Dunham	24 son		b. CO MO Swe den

From: Find a Grave.com Dunhams buried at Plainiew Cemetery, Big Piney, Sublette Co. WY:

Ortho H Dunham b. 12 Sept. 1854

d. 10 April 1946

Flora I. Smith Dunham b. 8 June 1865 in IN

d. 2 Sept. 1930

Albert O. Dunham b. 6 Dec. 1894

d. 28 Oct. 1977 (son of Ortho and Flora)

Orville Daniel Dunham b. 9 Feb. 1896

d. 13 June 1912 (son of Ortho and Flora)

Henry C. Dunham b. 26 June 1885

d. 27 Nov. 1950 (son of Ortho and Alida)

Harriette May Dent Dunham b. 14 Nov. 1890

d. 11 Oct. 1969 (wife of Henry C. Dunham above)

Also: these would be family of one of the above sons of Ortho H. Dunham:

Cleveland Dunham b. 27 March 1914 (son of Henry C. Dunham and Harriette Dent)

d. 20 Feb. 1926

Iris Alida Dunham b. 22 Sept. 1920 (dau. of Henry C. Dunham and Harriette Dent)

d. 24 Feb. 1932

Minnie Shideler Dunham b. 26 April 1907

d. 13 April 1931

Ortho Halbert "Ted" Dumam b. 12 Aril 1916

d. 26 March 1917

Robert Clair Dunham b. 27 Jan. 1918 (son of Henry C. Dunham and Harriette Dent)

d. 14 Oct. 1986

Flora Helen Dunham Miley b 25 Oct. 1922

d. Nov. 2006

Children of Ortho Henry and Alida (Larson) Dunham:

i. Violet M. ¹⁰ Dunham b. 1883

ii. Henry Clevelin ¹⁰ Dunham b. 1885; d. 1950

Children of Ortho Henry and Flora Idora (Smith) Dunham:

- iii. Winifred ¹⁰ Dunham b. 1888; d. 1888
- iv. Lois E. ¹⁰ Dunham b. 1890; d. 1998 ?
- v. Rose E. ¹⁰ Dunham b. 1891
- vi. Alma M. ¹⁰ Dunham b. 1892; d. 1974
- vii. Albert Otho ¹⁰ Dunham b. 1893; d. 1927
- viii Orville Daniel ¹⁰ Dunham b. 1896; d. 1912
- ix. Marshall Gordon ¹⁰ Dunham b. 1898; d. 1984
- + x. **William Denver ¹⁰ Dunham b. 1900; d. 1991**

William Denver ¹⁰ Dunham (Ortho Henry ⁹ Benjamin ⁸, Henry Clevlin ⁷ Abishai ⁶ John ⁵ David ⁴ Gershom ³ Jonathan ² John ¹) b. 12 Dec. 1900 in Denver, Denver County, CO; died 9 March 1991 in Twin Falls, Twin Falls, County, Idaho. He married 4 November 1932 **Margaret Louise Leland**. She was born in 1908; died in 1997. She was the daughter of Edwin Sherman and Mabel Anna (Hood) Leland.

The line continues with **William Leland ¹¹ Dunham** who is the father of **Werner Jon ¹² Dunham**. This family currently lives in Anchorage, Alaska.

Researcher's Dunham—Donham—Dunnam Lines

Line from Jonathan ²Dunham/alias Singletary, son of Richard Singletary:

[line of Evelyn Loraine ¹⁰ (Dunham) Hayner of Ellicott City, Maryland]

Richard Singletary and possible first wife

Jonathan Dunham (1639-1724) and Mary Bloomfield

Nathaniel ³ Dunham/Donham (1679-1727+) and Joanna Thornall

Nathaniel ⁴ Dunham/Donham (1726-1814) and Elizabeth Wilson

David ⁵ Dunham/Donham (1767-1843) and Milla Temple

Bradley ⁶ Dunham (1807-1855+) and Sarah Simmons

Henry ⁷ Dunham (1839-1908) and Isabella Dumbleton

Bradley ⁸ Dunham (1872-1916) and Emma Brimmer

Edgar Merrill ⁹ Dunham (1901-1935) and Florence Corlew

Evelyn Loraine ¹⁰ Dunham